

CHILDREN.

COME to me, O ye children!

Ye open the eastern windows,

In your hearts are birds and sunshine,

Ah! what would the world be to us,

What the leaves are to the forest,

That to the world are children;

Come to me, O ye children!

For what are all our contrivings,

Ye are better than all the ballads

PUZZLEDOM.

ANSWERS FOR LAST NUMBER.

- 1. CHARADE.—Thoughtless. HIDDEN FISHES.—1. Tench.

C A S E
A B E T
S E A T
E T T A

- DECAPITATIONS.—1. Ruse, usa.

NEW PUZZLES.

I. DROP-LETTER PUZZLE.

J-j-y-i-e-e-t-e-s-a; -b-t-o-c-d-v-n-
L-k-q-i-t-i-h-

II. CHARADE.

My first is a bird of ancient renown,

And is said to proceed from my first,

III. DECAPITATIONS AND CURTAILMENTS.

- 1. Behead and curtail a musical instrument, and leave a liquor.

IV. WORD-SQUARE.

- 1. To catch for breath.

WHAT A FIRE!

ONES, have you heard of the fire that burned up the man's house and property?"

"No, Smith; where was it?"

"Here in this city."

"What a misfortune to him! Was it a good house?"

"Yes; a nice house—a good home for any family."

"What a pity! How did the fire take?"

"The man played with fire, and thoughtlessly let it destroy his property."

"How silly! Did you say the farm was burned too?"

"No, it was not a very hot fire. Indeed, it was so small that it attracted but little attention; it burned a long time—more than twenty years.

"I can't understand you yet. Tell me where the fire was kindled, and all about it."

"Well, then, it was kindled on the end of a cigar. The cigar cost him, he himself told me, about ten dollars per month.

"Whew! I guess you mean me, for I have smoked more than twenty years. But it doesn't cost so much as that, and I haven't any house of my own."

LESSON NOTES.

SECOND QUARTER.

A. D. 28.] LESSON X. [June 4.

THE TRANSFIGURATION.

Mark 9. 2-13. Commit to memory v. 3, 4, 7, 8.

GOLDEN TEXT.

And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Matt. 3. 17.

OUTLINE.

- 1. The Three Witnesses, v. 2, 3.

TIME.—A. D. 28, a week after the events of the last two lessons.

PLACE.—Mount Hermon, north of Caesarea Philippi.

PARALLEL PASSAGES.—Matt. 17. 1, 13; Luke 9. 28-36.

EXPLANATIONS.—Six days—Meaning a week. High mountain—Probably Mount Hermon, the highest mountain in Palestine.

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—Evil spiritual agencies.

Indeed come—In the person of John the Baptist.

TEACHINGS OF THE LESSON.

- How are we here shown— 1. The glory of Christ's appearance?

THE LESSON CATECHISM.

1. Whom did Jesus take with him to a high mountain apart? Peter, James, and John.

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION—The divine nature of Christ.

CATECHISM QUESTION.

41. In what manner was this moral law, or Ten Commandments, given them?

The moral law, contained in the Ten Commandments, was spoken to the children of Israel from Mount Sinai by God himself, with thunder and lightning, and then written for them by him in two tables of stone.

A. D. 28.] LESSON XI. [June 11.]

THE AFFLICTED CHILD.

Mark 9. 14-22 Commit to memory v. 21-24.

GOLDEN TEXT.

All things are possible to him that believeth. v. 23.

OUTLINE.

- 1. The Suffering Child, v. 14-20.

TIME.—A. D. 28, immediately following the events of the last lesson.

PLACE.—Near Caesarea Philippi. Ver. 30-32. In Galilee.

PARALLEL PASSAGES.—Matt. 17. 14-23; Luke 9. 37-45.

EXPLANATIONS.—Questioning—Talking in a spirit of opposition. Dumb spirit—An evil spirit living in the child's body, and causing him to suffer greatly.

LESSON NOTES (continued) ... This kind—Showing that some evil spirits are stronger in power than others.

TEACHINGS OF THE LESSON.

How are we here shown— 1. The terrible results of Satan's power?

THE LESSON CATECHISM.

1. Who was brought to Jesus as he came down the mountain? A child having an evil spirit.

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—Evil spiritual agencies.

CATECHISM QUESTION.

42. What were the special laws which God gave them, relating to their religion as a church?

The special laws which God gave to the children of Israel, relating to their religion as a church, consisted of many rules about the worship of God, about their priests and sacrifices, about sprinkling of blood, and washing with water, and about holy places and holy vessels.

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